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MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General John M. Willems, ACSI
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, DNI
Major General James H. Walsh, ACSI
Lt. General John A. Sanford, Director, NSA

SUBJECT : Review of ELINT Requirements

1. Through the use of P2V7 and B-17 aircraft the [redacted] Air Force has been engaging in the collection of ELINT against the Chinese Communists in fairly broad geographic areas [redacted].

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2. In order to ensure that the use of this collection facility is responsive to the ELINT and related needs of the intelligence community, I am initiating a review of the requirements of the community for this collection and the procedures for the handling and exploitation of the product.

3. It is my belief that the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee, on which your agency is already represented, would provide a convenient forum for this review to take place. Accordingly, I am requesting the Chairman, Mr. James Q. Reber, to consult with your representatives on that Committee in the immediate future on this matter.

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